

# BIG COMBINE OF THE INTER-MET. TO BE BROKEN UP

## Plan Under Way to Split Up Companies Includes a Friendly Receivership for All the Surface Lines.

Heads of the various companies embracing the Interborough-Metropolitan railroad system met this afternoon at No. 115 Broadway to devise ways and means for the separation of the units which make up the company's watered stock and the restoration of independence to such lines as are making money.

The programme includes, The Evening World is informed upon reliable authority, the throwing of the surface lines into a friendly receivership.

The meeting was held in the office of General Manager Theodore P. Shonts. Among those known to be present were H. H. Vreeland and Owen Root, President and General Manager respectively of the old Metropolitan Street Railway system; E. P. Bryan and Frank Hedley, Vice-President and General Manager of the old Interborough system, besides lawyers for both Thomas F. Ryan and August Belmont, the traction kings now being debarred by the Public Service Commission.

How It Will Start.

The anticipated passing of its 7 per cent. dividend Thursday by the Metropolitan Street Railway Company serves the purpose of the directors to bring a friendly suit looking to the appointment of a receiver for the surface lines of the Inter-Met. lawyers have decided, and it is only a question of hours before the unravelling of the tangle is begun.

The Penal Code of New York states that the directors of the Inter-Met. system and the paying of the seven per cent. Metropolitan dividend guaranteed by the New York City Railway Company. Here is the law from Section 184, under "Misconduct of Directors of Stock Corporations," which makes it a misdemeanor for any director to conceal in any vote or act of the directors of such corporation by which it is intended:

"To make a dividend except from the surplus profits arising from the business of the corporation." The Metropolitan Street Railway Company will be the goat of the dissolution, and the Inter-Met. directors days before Oct. 15, it was necessary for the heads of the merged lines to prepare for precipitate action. The application for a friendly receiver may be made within a very short time.

Federal Courts a Refuge.

Under the terms of the Federal courts the Inter-Met. people feel that they will be secure from further probing by Chief Counsel William M. Lins, of Gov. Hughes's Public Service Commission, which resumes its hearings tomorrow. Hence their haste to get to cover.

The Belmont group in the Inter-Met. system is confident of withdrawing from the combine with its line, intact. The elevated lines are said to be paying 6 per cent. above the 7 per cent. paid by Mr. Belmont to the Gould interest under the 1899 "L" lease, while the earnings of the subway are constantly increasing.

Balked by the Commission.

"We intended putting this 'L' read surplus to the use of carrying the Metropolitan deficit," said a Belmont adherent to-day before passing into the office of Mr. Shonts, "but the activity of the Public Service Commission has now voiced in a demand that only earned dividends be paid, which leaves the Metropolitan high and dry on the verge of a \$2,000,000 annual deficit."

The figures brought out by the probe of Mr. Lins, however, are not so easy upon the Inter-Met. promoters. They indicate that the Inter-Met. is now earning 14 per cent. on its capital, and charges to meet of 16.5 per cent. The Commissioners declare that the dissolution of the merger is the only expected result.

What of the Stockholders?

In the event a friendly receivership for the surface lines is arranged, and the elevated lines are returned to their original form, the question arises, what is to become of the Interborough-Metropolitan stockholders? No light upon this interesting side of the proposition could be obtained either at the Belmont or the office of Mr. Ryan in the Morton Trust Company.

"Mr. Ryan will not be down to-day," said Secretary Francis. The former partner of William C. Whitney was reported home last from Washington, D. C., where he is said to have been in consultation with his former personal counsel, Ellihu Root, now Secretary of State.

Mr. Root is said to have given Mr. Ryan legal advice which will be recorded in a series of surprising movements in the courts in the next few days.

INTERBOROUGH WILL SURRENDER BOOKS

Directors To-Day Yield to Order of the Public Service Commission.

The Board of Directors of the Interborough-Metropolitan Company announced to-day that they had decided to allow their books to be examined by the Public Service Commission.

At the recent investigation the company objected to opening its books to the Commission and an order was issued by the Commission directing them to do so. The time in which to answer the Commission expired to-day.

# VIENNA ACTRESS TO BE DEPORTED, IS RUMOR NOW

## Washington Hears Paula Klippenburg's Case Will Be Decided Against Her.

### CASE UP TO STRAUS.

#### Reports from Consuls in Austria on Her Career Are Kept Secret.

That the deportation of Miss Paula Klippenburg, the young Viennese actress, now under bond pending decision on a charge that her landing here was in violation of the immigration laws, will be ordered this week, is indicated by advices to-day from Washington.

Additional papers bearing on the case were received in Washington to-day. When Miss Klippenburg, after her arrest, had been brought about by Horace E. Miller, of Newark, to sue whom on a breach of promise charge she came here, made a fight against deportation, American Consuls in Austria were instructed to inquire into her history, and have done so, but the result of their investigation has not been made public.

The case has occasioned immigration officials much trouble, and a thorough investigation was insisted on by the department. Three officers of the Department of Commerce and Labor and the Commissioner-General of Immigration have been busy with it.

The case has now been passed to Secretary Straus, who will act about the middle of the week. The appeal for information was made to our consuls only after Miss Klippenburg declined an offer to cancel her bond if she would return to Europe without further trouble.

# POLICE RESCUE GIRL STUDENTS TRAPPED BY FIRE

## Teacher and Pupil Injured as One Hundred Are Carried from the Flames in Oswego.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Sept. 22.—One hundred girl students in the Oswego State Normal School fled from their rooms in haste to-day when a fire was discovered in the laundry on the lower floor of that building.

Although the fire did not spread above the first floor, the halls of the floors above were filled with smoke, and many of the students to the ground.

Miss Holmes, the preceptress, narrowly escaped suffocation and one student was slightly injured by jumping from the second story window to the court.

# CHANLER BOOM HERE IN NEW YORK

## Connors Willing to Bet \$100,000 He'll Be Next Democratic Nominee for President.

The Lewis Sturtevant Chanler boom for the Democratic nomination for President, which was started in remote parts of the South and has spread to the West, appears to have broken out in New York. It is reported in political circles that William J. Connors, of Buffalo, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and Charles F. Murphy, have been brought to believe that young Mr. Chanler is New York's favorite son.

A party of Wall street men were sitting in the cafe of the Waldorf-Astoria Saturday night when Connors, who is known to many of the party, declared that he knew much. Let me give you a tip. I'll bet \$100,000 or any part of it that Lewis Sturtevant Chanler is the next Democratic nominee for President.

Some of the Wall street men in the party told of the incident on the Stock exchange to-day. They found a pretty general opinion that Chanler is highly regarded by the newly Democratic party, and Murphy expect to control the New York delegates to the next Democratic National Convention.

Nearly all of Mr. Chanler's visitors from the South and West have asked his friends how he stands in his own State. They have been assured that when the time comes New York will be for Chanler.

ALLEN TOWN, Pa., Sept. 22.—Rev. Father J. P. Walsh, rector, and Father James J. H. H. of the St. Thomas parish, in a sermon to-day, warned the young women of the parish against the practice of entertaining Lehigh students, whose names would be announced from the pulpit.

The warning came as a surprise to many of the parishioners and was the cause of considerable comment.

# Two Women Who Figure in Exciting Marital Tangle.



MRS. VAN VLECK

# FORCED TO OPEN SECRET BOOKS IN OIL TRUST SUIT.

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the voting of stocks and the control of oil millionaires and questioned Mr. Tilden in the alleged restraint and monopolization by control of sixteen pipe lines in Western Pennsylvania.

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# BROKER ACCUSED BY ANOTHER IN A DIVORCE SUIT

## W. H. Van Vleck Also Preparing, It Is Said, to Sue C. M. Currie for Damages.

### MRS. CURRIE'S TURN.

#### Consulting With Lawyer As To Whether She Also Shall Sue.

William Henry Van Vleck, a stock broker with offices at No. 57 Fulton street, and whose home is in Red Bank where he and his wife have been active in society, has filed suit for divorce from his wife, a handsome, young woman, naming Charles M. Currie, also a stockbroker with offices at No. 60 Broadway. Currie also lives at Red Bank with his wife and has been among the most intimate friends of the Van Vlecks.

Mrs. Currie, who is as handsome as Mrs. Van Vleck, is also considering a suit for divorce, and if papers are drawn it is expected Mrs. Van Vleck's name will occupy a conspicuous place in the document.

It is said also Van Vleck is to sue Currie for damages.

In the suit against his wife Van Vleck tells of moonlight rides which Mrs. Van Vleck took with Currie behind his pair of trotters. But the most interesting charges have to do with a number of letters written to Currie and signed "Laura," which is Mrs. Van Vleck's Christian name.

Mr. Van Vleck has left Red Bank and is living in apartments in this city. Mr. Currie is still in his country home. The brokers are keeping silent. Not so with their wives. Mrs. Van Vleck laughed at the idea of leaving home between the Curries, and declared she did not write the letters signed "Laura."

When Mrs. Currie was seen her husband was nearly by her but he made no effort to restrain her.

The trouble began at a dinner dance given at "Leeds street," she said. "I waited at home for my husband to come for me, but he did not come. Instead, he took Mrs. Van Vleck and they were away hours. That was only the beginning of many similar rides and meetings."

After Mrs. Currie's suspicions became aroused she went to Mr. Van Vleck and told him what she expected. Then followed the divorce suit and the threatened damage suit which it is said will be for \$100,000.

"I shall certainly appear as a witness against my husband," said Mrs. Currie. "I am not sure whether I shall sue for divorce or not. I will decide Wednesday afternoon. I have a conference with my lawyer."

Mrs. Van Vleck seemed amused at the disclosure. "I have seen at the office of my lawyer, has said that he will help me in my fight against the charges brought by my husband."

MAD DOG TIED UP TRAIN SYSTEM UNTIL KILLED.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Sept. 22.—A mad dog tied up the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad system between this place and Pittsburgh, also east of Cumberland, for almost two hours Saturday afternoon. The dog ran for the train, and the engine at White Rock, which is at the edge of the town. The dispatcher jumped out of the window and refused to enter the place to give any signals.

Other men who saw the dog enter the building closed the door on him. It was some time before a telephone call was sent to Connelville and Police Officer John Love arrived. He fired through a window at the animal, and it was killed.

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# DEAD GIRL IN TRUNK FOUND ON THE BEACH.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 22.—The body of a girl about eighteen years old, not identified, was found in a trunk yesterday on the beach, about two miles south of Elliott Bay. In the trunk were two letters, one of which was written on a letter-head of J. B. Covington, Fuel, Feed and Lumber Company, St. Paul, Minn., and was signed "Edith."

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 22.—J. B. Covington, of this city, whose firm's letter paper was found in the trunk, said:

"Edith Covington, aged twenty-five, and Frank Covington, aged twenty-two, were brother and sister, and raised by their grandparents in Castleburg, Ky. After they had grown up they paid me a visit, and the boy left here for San Francisco. While he was there his sister, Edith, came to see me. She was a letter saying she was going to the Klondike. That was the last we heard from the young lady. She is now living in Ruthers Glen, Va. We have not heard from her directly, but a few days ago a letter came to her here from Seattle, and we forwarded it to her. It was signed 'Edith.' The letter said that Frank left his trunk behind him when he went to the Klondike, and it may have fallen into other hands. The boy always bore an excellent reputation."

GREAT NORTHERN GUILTY; MUST PAY \$15,000 FINE.

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 22.—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals of the Eighth Judicial Court handed down an opinion to-day affirming the judgment of the United States District Court of Minnesota last May holding the Great Northern Railroad guilty of giving rebates.

# WORST FORM OF SCALP ECZEMA

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